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SUBJ: REMARKS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING
WITH PM RABIN AND OTHER ISRAELI OFFICIALS IN JERUSALEM, MARCH
12, 1975

1. SECRETARY KISSINGER: WE CONTINUED OUR VERY DETAILED EXAMINATION OF ELEMENTS OF A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT.
IN THE NATURE OF SUCH AN EXAMINATION WE CANNOT MAKE A PROGRESS REPORT EVERY DAY BUT THE TALKS ARE BEING CONDUCTED IN VERY FRIENDLY, VERY POSITIVE SPIRIT AND NOTHING HAS CHANGED IN MY ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION.

2. QUESTION: ARE YOU BEGINNING TO SEE THE SHAPE OF AN AGREEMENT EVEN THOUGH IT IS KIND OF EARLY?

KISSINGER: I JUST DON'T WANT TO GIVE ANY ESTIMATES. I'LL BE BACK HERE IN A COUPLE OF DAYS. I'M GOING TO ASWAN...

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3. QUESTION: THERE ARE REPORTS THAT YOU WILL BE HERE ANOTHER TWO WEEKS LONGER. WHAT DO YOU SAY?

KISSINGER: I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO ESTIMATE OF HOW LONG IT COULD TAKE BUT I HAVE SOME OTHER DUTIES IN WASHINGTON TOO.

4. QUESTION: HAVE YOU FOUND ANY AREAS OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT?

KISSINGER: I JUST WON'T GO INTO ANYTHING.

5. QUESTION: DOES THAT MEAN YOU MIGHT BREAK OFF THE TALKS AND GO BACK TO WASHINGTON AND THEN RETURN?

KISSINGER: NO. I THINK THAT WE WILL KNOW WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME FRAME WHAT IS ACHIEVABLE AND I DON'T BELIEVE IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR ME TO GO BACK AND THEN RETURN HERE.

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